

The Grant County Fiscal Court met in Regular Session on Monday, October 20, 2008, at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky 41097, with Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, present; Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, Present; Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, Present; Jack Gatlin, County Attorney and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, Present and Presiding. Pat Conrad, Fiscal Court Clerk, Courtney Jo Young and Alexandra Magen Brittany Young, daughters of Magistrate Young, Les Whalen, Williamstown Fire Chief, Bryan Marshall, and Bernard Mardis with Williamstown Cable were also present.

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Magistrate Linder opened in prayer. Judge Link then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Motion of Brian Linder, and seconded by Bobby Young, it is hereby ordered to approve the minutes of the October 7th, 2008, meeting as presented.

The following votes were taken Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes, yes, Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes, yes Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes, yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes, yes.

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Judge Link presented for review and approval the claims against the General Expense Fund, Road Fund, Jail Fund, and L.G..E.A. fund along with the transfers as needed for the month of October. He asked if there were any questions regarding the claims.

Motion by Richard Austin, and seconded by Bobby Young, it is hereby ordered to approve the claim #'s 01-0386 thru 01-0446 against the General Expense Fund in the amount of \$100,624.91, Claim #'s 02-143 thru 02-157 against the Road Fund in the amount of \$84,608.59; and Claim #s 03-0134 thru 03-0157 against the Jail Fund in the

amount of \$46,152.70, and Claim #04-0104 against the LGEA fund in the amount of \$500.00 along with the transfers presented to pay said claims.

The following votes were taken Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes, yes, Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes, yes, Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes, yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes, yes.

Judge Link presented for approval hiring Matthew Kinman as a Driver/Laborer for the Grant County Road Department at \$10.50 per hour beginning November 1, 2008.

Motion by Bobby Young, and seconded by Brian Linder for approval to hire Matthew Kinman as a Driver/Laborer for the Grant County Road Department at \$10.50 an hour beginning November 1, 2008.

The following votes were taken Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes, yes, Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes, yes, Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes, yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes, yes.

Judge Link presented for approval the 2008 – 2009 tax rates for the Grant County Extension District. Those rates are as follows: Real Property at 2.4 cents generates \$237,158.16 in revenue, Personal Property at 4.08 cents that generates \$57,792.48 in revenue, and Motor Vehicles at 2.54 cents generates \$35,675.47 in revenue. These numbers were submitted to the court by Chris Ammerman, University of Ky. Agriculture extension agent for Grant County, Kentucky.

Motion by Richard Austin, seconded by Brian Linder to approve the tax rates for the Grant County Extension Service for 2008-2009 Tax Year.

The following votes were taken Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes, yes, Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes, yes, Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes, yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes, yes.

Judge Link presented for second reading Ordinance No. 10-2008-622 relating to an Amendment to the Grant County Zoning Map for applicant Mary Lillard , along with the notice to run in the local paper showing adoption.

Motion of Bobby Young and seconded by Brian Linder, it is hereby ordered to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 10-2008-622 relating to an Amendment to the Grant County Zoning Map for applicant Mary Lillard, along with the Notice to run in the local paper showing adoption as presented.

The following votes were taken Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes, yes, Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes, yes Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes, yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes, yes.

Judge Link presented for Second Reading Ordinance No. 11-2008-623 relating to an Amendment to the Grant County Zoning Map for applicants Donald and Jean Adams, along with the notice to run in the local paper showing adoption.

Motion of Richard Austin and seconded by Bobby Young, it is hereby ordered to approve the Second Reading of Ordinance # 11-2008-623 relating to an Amendment to the Grant County Zoning Map for applicants Donald and Jean Adams along with the Notice to run in the local paper showing adoption as presented.

The following votes were taken Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes, yes, Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes, yes, Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes, yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes, yes.

Open Discussion for the “Good of the County”.

Les Whalen, Fire Chief of the City of Williamstown asked to address the Fiscal Court.

Chief Whalen brought a picture of a mobile “Fire Safe House” that is available for purchase from the Sycamore Township, Ohio Fire Department. It is a 1992 unit and can be used in the various schools throughout the county to teach school age children the importance of fire safety and prevention. He would like for the Grant County Fiscal Court to purchase said vehicle. Judge Link and the Magistrates questioned Chief Whalen as to who would own the vehicle; for example would it be owned by the City of Williamstown or the DES, or Fiscal Court. There would also be a question of whose insurance the Fire Safe House would be covered under. Magistrate Linder also questioned where the unit would be used and specifically if it is intended for say, Crittenden Mt. Zion School and others in the county.

Chief Whalen reiterated that would be the case. Magistrate Young questioned who would move it from various locations. Chief Whalen said that all the Fire Departments in the county have trucks that could pull the trailer. When all the questions had been answered, Judge Link indicated that the Magistrates would discuss this and get back to Chief Whalen as soon as a decision was made.

Richard Austin reminded the court and audience of “Halloween in the Park” on Saturday the 25th and reminded everyone that this is a free event sponsored by the Parks and Recreation department of the Fiscal Court and the Grant County News and Express.

Bobby Young reminded everyone to vote on November 4th. Judge Link also stated that it is our duty as good citizens to vote. We don’t tell people how to vote, we just ask them to do their civic duty and vote.

Jack Gatlin, County Attorney, updated the Court and audience on the alcohol issue in Dry Ridge. There is some question of how the issue should be worded on the ballot in November. Judge Bates is to rule on that this coming week. Mr. Gatlin stated that his office doesn't hold an opinion either way for the issue, they just want to make sure everything is legal on the ballot and that no laws are violated.

Richard Austin thanked the City of Williamstown for blacktopping Barnes Road. It has certainly made it safer and easier to drive on.

Judge Link reminded the members of Fiscal Court that the next caucus meeting of the Fiscal Court will be held on Monday, October 27th, 2008 at 5:30 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse, and that the next regular meeting of the Fiscal Court will be held on Monday November 3rd, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. at the Grant County Courthouse.

Motion to adjourn until Monday November 3rd 2008 was made by Magistrate Richard Austin and seconded by Magistrate Brian Linder.

The following votes were taken: Bobby Young, Magistrate 3rd District, votes yes, Richard Austin, Magistrate 1st District, votes, yes Brian Linder, Magistrate 2nd District, votes yes, and Hon. Darrell Link, County Judge/Executive, votes yes.

Grant County Judge/Executive

